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REMARKS

Amendments to the Description

A paragraph has been amended to simplify the description of materials suitable for use in a waterimpermeable backsheet.

Another paragraph has been amended to add information identifying the U.S. patent applications corresponding to two previously listed European patent applications.

Amendment to the Claims

Claim 7 has been amended to describe that the claimed disposable diaper is suited for alternatively fastening the front waist region and the back waist region together in a back-over-front configuration or in a front-over-back configuration. Support for this amendment is found in the specification as originally filed, including in the paragraph beginning on page 7 at line 6.

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